Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Teaching young people in Lutheran parochial schools has been an integral part of the heritage and life of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod from its founding in 1847; and,

Whereas, The purpose and mission of Lutheran schools is to teach children and young adults the wonderful news of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and provide them with an excellent, well-rounded education; and,

Whereas, Graduates of Lutheran schools have gone on to distinguish themselves through service and leadership in their community, government, and church; and,

Whereas, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod has chosen "Baptized For This Moment" as the theme for this year's National Lutheran Schools Week observance; and,

Whereas, National Lutheran Schools Week seeks to highlight the important role Lutheran Christian education can play in the education, growth, and development of children of all ages; and,

Whereas, During the week of January 27 – February 2, 2013, these schools will have several activities with student involvement in recognition of National Lutheran Schools Week:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of January 27 – February 2, 2013, as

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason Gant

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State